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MILLIONS NOW LIVING WILL NEVER DIE.

(Judge Rutherford's Lecture continued from last week.)
Remedies—Human.

What remedies do men offer to bring order out of chaos and establish peace and prosperity amongst the people? The financiers desperately struggle to hold the present financial systems in and know of none to bring about order; but they have no remedy a better condition.

After centuries of effort, political parties have proved their inadequacy to meet the present conditions and to solve the distressing problems. Economists and statesmen, studying the question diligently, find that they are able to do nothing. And this applies to all political parties and organizations, for the reason that all are composed of selfish, imperfect men; and therefore cannot bring about an ideal condition.

With the cessation of hostilities, statesmen representing the leading nations involved met in conference and (giving them credit for the desire to establish peace and prosperity) the result of their deliberations was a covenant known as the League of Nations. This offered as a remedy for present evils. Will it succeed? A league formed amongst all the nations of earth and based upon the principles of justice and righteousness, and in which all the contracting parties would honestly carry out the purpose expressed, would doubtless result in great good. But where selfishness is the chief motive and controls the action of any or all, an ideal condition could not be attained. God in his wisdom foreknew and foretold the formation of the League of Nations; and he likewise foretold that it must fail.—Isaiah 8:9, 10.

The including cause for the formation of the League is admittedly fear. Faith in God and his promises is entirely ignored. Because of His promises is entirely ignored. Because of these facts the League will never accomplish the expressed desire. It is not God's way. He has plainly said: "My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts higher than your thoughts." (Isaiah 55:8, 9.) Jehovah's great plan was entirely ignored in the formation of this League of Nations. The prophet truly wrote: "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord." (Psalm 33:12.) But a nation that ignores the divine plan, or any league of nations formed which ignores the same, need not expect a desirable result. The Lord's prophet clearly had in mind the formation of the League of Nations, and also the league of ecclesiastical systems, when he wrote: "Associate yourselves, O ye people, and ye shall be broken in pieces; and give ear, all ye of far countries; gird yourselves, and ye shall be broken in pieces. Take counsel together, and it shall come to naught; speak the word, and it shall not stand."—Isaiah 8:9, 10.

Ecclesiastical Remedy.
Ecclesiasticism relates to organized church systems, and particularly to the clergymen or priestly class operating and controlling the same. For a long time the Roman Catholic was practically the only creed extant. In the sixteenth century there was a great reformation movement and Protestant ecclesiasticism resulted. The ecclesiastics, therefore, come forward with a proposed remedy for distressed humanity; and since they do so, we are justified in a candid examination of their proposed remedy to see whether or not it is adequate. The ecclesiastical systems both Catholic and Protestant, claim that their mission is to convert the world, thereby bringing the people into the churches.

Let us suppose they could accomplish their expressed purpose and convert the whole human race to their religion. What, then, is the hope that they hold out to the people?

The Catholic creed or teaching is that the destiny of man is fixed at death and that those who are good and faithful Catholics at death pass on to heaven, a condition of endless bliss. All other Catholics who have not been faithful in every particular go to purgatory, there to remain for an indefinite period of time (not less than a thousand years), during which time they are supposed to be cleansed and purified and made ready for the realm; that all the others, the heretics, the apostate, etc., must spend their destiny in hell fire, consciously suffering forever.

The Protestant teaching generally is that the destiny of every man is eternally fixed at death, the faithful church member passing at death into glory, a condition of bliss in heaven; and all others spending their eternity in conscious torture, eternal in duration.

It will be noticed, therefore, that if there be any real difference between these two remedies the Protestant remedy is the worse of the two, because it offers no middle ground. It is plainly to be seen by any one that neither the Catholic nor the Protestant creed offers any remedy whatsoever for the present disorder that would lead to peace, prosperity, liberty and happiness and life everlasting on this earth. It follows, then, that if they should succeed in converting most or all of the people to their theories it would be no solution of the problems.

The great difficulty with the systems ecclesiastical is that they ignore the commission given to the Christian and build their hopes upon man-made theories, creeds and institutions. They ignore completely the commission divinely given to every one who has consecrated himself to do the Lord's will. It will be admitted by both Catholics and Protestants that only a small portion of the earth's population have even pretended to embrace the teachings of their respective systems, and the most sanguine amongst them will never claim that they hope to convert everybody to their way of thinking and bring them into the church organization. The facts are that in modern times they have ignored the doctrines and do not ask the people to believe these but to unite in action; and the chief action is the solicitation and collection of money. Seizing the war spirit, the spirit of the world, these ecclesiastical systems now are engaged in raising millions of dollars, saying to the people: "If only we had the money we could convert the world." Is it not apparent to all that this is a reflection on the Lord, that he needs money to carry out his purposes; and is he pleased to use the unconsecrated funds of the worldlings to do his work? Is it necessary to solicit in the name of the Lord money from men who have no interest in the Lord's arrangement but who yield to the importunities of the clergy and pay the money in order that they may have a social or political standing amongst a certain class of people? Could it be said that the Lord must resort to such methods in order to carry out his arrangement? Every reasonable man must say, surely not. And again we are reminded of the Lord's words through the prophet, directing them at those who are advancing these worldly theories: "My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts higher than your thoughts."—Isaiah 55:8, 9.

The wise man, then, is he who seeks to know what is the divine remedy and, finding this, seeks to conform himself to it; for nothing else short of divine power can bring order out of the present chaotic condition and bring to man that which he desires. Let us keep in mind that it has ever been the desire of man to enjoy life, liberty and happiness. This was so uppermost in the minds of the forefathers in laying the foundation for the American government that they placed this statement in the fundamental law of the land. The

people, therefore, are wasting their time and energy to pursue a will-o'-the-wisp, a man-made theory, in utter regard of the divine remedy; and, of course, if the people are ignorant of this remedy which the Lord has provided, they cannot pursue it. The great masses are ignorant of their ignorance is due to the fact that the ecclesiastics have been unfaithful to their commission, have failed to teach the Scriptures, but on the contrary have taught man-made theories; and for this reason God, foreknowing that it would be thus, recorded: "Behold, the days come, saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but for hearing the words of the Lord."—Amos 8:11.

After many centuries of divine favor the clergy of the church nominal as a class has proven unfaithful to the divinely given commission. After six thousand years of laborious effort to establish an ideal government in the earth, the nations are now face to face with a condition of chaos, and mankind is groping blindly about. The people who love righteousness and truth have been without aid, advice and comfort from those from whom they might expect it and who claim to be the messengers of the Lord. These so-called spiritual advisers have torn off the mask and now boldly declare that they ignore the doctrines and unite in action for money and power.

With the great doctrines of Christianity ignored, upon what will the hungry souls feed?—those souls that hunger and thirst for righteousness, from whence will they gather their satisfying portion? (Psalm 107:1-7.) It is not time for all such to seek the divine remedy? Man's extremity is God's opportunity. The whole world is being humbled by suffering and sorrow. Let those who mourn be comforted by the great and beneficent arrangement disclosed by his Word.

Remedy—Divine.

The Holy Scriptures contains the expression of the will of God concerning man. The Bible is the only true source of knowledge upon which man can base hope for the future. The Apostle Paul with prophetic vision, looking down to the time of the blessings shall come to the human race, wrote to the followers of Jesus: "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. But God hath revealed them unto us by his spirit; for the spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God."—1 Corinthians 2:9, 10.

It was the great Master who said: "Sanctify them through the truth; thy word is truth." (John 17:17.) Nothing, then, but an understanding and appreciation of the Word of God can lead man into the right way and unfold to him visions of the blessings that are to come; and the understanding of the divine arrangement brings comfort and joy to the heart.

The inspired witness wrote: "Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world." Acts 15:18.) From the very creation of man to the full consummation of his plan Jehovah knew everything and his great program has been working out in a progressive and orderly manner. In order, therefore, for us to appreciate the divine remedy we must first ascertain the real cause of the present condition of strife, turmoil, trouble, wars, revolution, etc., in the earth.

The Cause.

The first man was created perfect and given a perfect home in Eden, endowed with life as a human being, with happiness, with peace, and with all the blessings incident to a perfect life and a perfect home. He was endowed with the power and authority to produce perfect children and to fill the earth with a perfect race of people. His enjoyment of those blessings eternally depended upon his obedience to the divine law; and his disobedience led to the forfeiture of his right

to life as a human being, as well as his right to happiness and peace. Man violated the law. This account is briefly set forth in the third chapter of Genesis. Man was sentenced to death, driven out from his perfect home, and the judgment executed by causing him to subsist upon the poisonous elements of the unfinished earth. As long as he existed he was caused to eat bread in sorrow. In all these centuries he has been under the bondage of the evil effects of sin, waiting and hoping for liberation.

It must be observed that Adam did not lose a home in heaven. He was not offered a home in heaven; but what he did possess was a home on earth, with human life in perfection, as man; and his violation of the law forfeited these. Therefore, if man is ever restored to his original favors and blessing it must be to that which he first enjoyed—perfection of life as a human being, a perfect home, and peace and happiness on earth.

The disobedience of Adam entailed upon all of his offspring sorrow, sickness, suffering and death. The perfect pair did not bear children while in Eden; but they exercised this function after the condemnation and after man was earning his bread in the unfinished earth. He was gradually undergoing the sentence of death. He was imperfect, and it follows as a logical and reasonable conclusion that he could not produce a perfect race of people. The result was that his offspring were born in a dying condition. And this is what the prophet meant when he wrote: "Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me." (Psalm 51:5.) This is the same thought expressed by St. Paul when he wrote: "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned."—Romans 5:12.

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION.

In the District Court of Muskogee County, State of Oklahoma.
Willie Lee, Plaintiff,
vs.
Malinda Lee, Defendant.
No. 10093.
The State of Oklahoma to the Defendant Malinda Lee, Greetings: The defendant, Malinda Lee, will take notice that she has been sued in the above named Court by the plaintiff, Willie Lee, for an absolute divorce on the ground of abandonment and that unless she answer the petition of the plaintiff, Willie Lee, on or before the 10th day of October, 1921, the allegations set forth in said petition will be taken as confessed and judgment rendered accordingly.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said District Court this the 19th day of August, 1921.

L. D. MARTIN,
Court Clerk.
By W. H. BALLARD,
Deputy Clerk.
JACOB J. JONES,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION.

In the District Court of Muskogee County, State of Oklahoma.
B. B. Roberts, Plaintiff,
vs.
J. E. Crane, et al., Defendants.
No. 9056.
The State of Oklahoma to the Defendant J. E. Crane, Greetings:

The defendant, J. E. Crane, will take notice that he has been sued in the above named court by the plaintiff, B. B. Roberts, for to exclude the said defendant J. E. Crane from any interest in and to Lot 11, Block 17, in the town of Taft, Muskogee County, Oklahoma, and that unless he answer the petition of the plaintiff, B. B. Roberts, on or before the 3rd day of October, 1921, the allegations set forth in said petition will be taken as confessed and judgment rendered accordingly.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed

the seal of said District Court this the 17th day of August, 1921.

L. D. MARTIN,
Court Clerk.
By W. H. BALLARD,
Deputy Clerk.
J. J. JONES and
O. B. JEFFERSON,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION.

State of Oklahoma, Muskogee County, ss. In District Court.
Minnie Mable Madison, Plaintiff,
vs.
Jesse W. Madison, Defendant.
No. 9988.

The State of Oklahoma to Jesse W. Madison:
You will take notice that on the 18th day of July, A. D. 1921, the above named plaintiff, Minnie Mable Madison, filed her petition in the District Court of Muskogee County, State of Oklahoma, praying that she may be divorced from the above named defendant, Jesse W. Madison, alleging as grounds for said divorce proceedings, that the defendant has been guilty of extreme cruelty, and gross neglect of duty towards the plaintiff above named; and that the defendant must answer said petition on or before the 3rd day of September, 1921, or said petition will be taken as true and judgment for plaintiff will be taken forever divorcing the plaintiff and defendant will be rendered accordingly.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court this 18th day of July, A. D. 1921.

L. D. MARTIN,
Court Clerk.
By TOM L. FULLER,
Deputy.
W. D. HALPHILL,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

MASONIC GRAND LODGE HOLDS HISTORIC SESSION.

Beautiful Temple Remodeled, \$7000 Cost, 400 Delegates Attend.

Telephonic communication with Boley informs the Black Dispatch that Grand Master W. S. Webber and his entire cabinet were swept into office after a monster demonstration on the part of the delegates assembled. The reading of the reports of the various officers showed remarkable progress in all of the various departments of the order. It was after the reading of these splendid reports that a motion to unanimously re-elect all of the officers swept the field clean of any desire of anyone to run for office.

Over \$40,000 was shown to be in the Grand Lodge funds. The Temple at Boley has been remodeled during this fraternal year at a cost of over \$7,000.00. The second floor will be used for offices and the third floor for convention purposes. Dining hall and kitchen facilities are provided in the Temple. The Temple is now provided with every modern convenience.

The Convention was marked with complete harmony unequalled in the history of the order, and many splendid addresses were made by prominent masons from all over Oklahoma. The citizens of Boley were to banquet the Grand Lodge Friday night in the dining hall of the Temple which will seat over 1,000 persons. Over 400 delegates are in attendance.

Mrs. C. T. Talliferro, of Perry, the Grand Worthy Matron of the Eastern Star (was re-elected also, together with her entire cabinet. This department also showed wonderful growth and the sessions were harmonious. The principal officers re-elected were: Hon. W. S. Webber, Hartshorne, Grand Master; M. Butler, Deputy Grand Master, Guthrie; Lon McNeil, Secretary of Endowment, Eufaula; Samuel Jordan, Treasurer Endowment Department, Guthrie; W. H. Twine, Sec.-Treas. Burial Department, Muskogee; N. J. Caesar, Grand Secretary, Shawnee.—Black Dispatch.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed

as to the election of Grand Master, as he had such old war-horses as Brothers G. W. S. Sawner, E. T. Barbour, Sam Sanders, the Big Indian Chief, S. T. Wiggins, the Prince of Diplomacy, C. T. Talliferro, the astute Orator, the old Tiger and others equally proficient on the firing line, and hence he went through unanimously and carried his whole cabinet with him. There was but little opposition to the work of last year and that was so small that no mention is needed. Our Grand Lodge is moving on to success and next year will show a greater improvement than the past is our prophecy.

J. T. TRIMBLE,
Manager.
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NOTICE BY PUBLICATION.

In the District Court of Muskogee County, State of Oklahoma.

Irene Glidewell, Plaintiff,
vs.
Joe F. Glidewell, Defendant.
No. 10102.
The State of Oklahoma to the Defendant, Joe F. Glidewell, Greetings:

The defendant, Joe F. Glidewell, will take notice that he has been sued in the above named Court by the plaintiff, Irene Glidewell, for divorce and custody of children, and that unless he answer the petition of the plaintiff, alleging asex, non-support, on or before the 8th day of October, 1921, the allegations set forth in said petition will be taken as confessed and judgment rendered accordingly.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said District Court this the 22nd day of August, 1921.

L. D. MARTIN,
Court Clerk.
By TOM L. FULLER,
Deputy Clerk.
I. T. WYSONG,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

666 quickly relieves Constipation, Biliousness, Loss of Appetite and Headaches, due to Torpid Liver.

On August 4th, Rev. David Irvin, the brother of Attorney W. H. Twine, visited our city, making a surprise visit to his brother, but the attorney had left home to attend the Grand Lodge of Masons at Boley. As soon as Lawyer Twine learned that his brother, whom he had not seen for 25 years, was in the city, he returned at once and there was a happy reunion. He took his brother back to Boley with him. Before going the Reverend met many K. of P. brethren and made medicine for the Topeka meeting. He also preached at the First Baptist church to an appreciative audience. At Boley he made many friends and proved himself to be a past-master as a mixer. He made a firm friend of the only infidel in Boley and has a standing invitation to visit the famous Agnostic of Boley, who never lets a preacher enter his home. Rev. Irvin is very favorably impressed with Oklahoma and will have a good word for the "Wild and Woolly West" when he returns home. He went from Muskogee to Topeka to attend the Pythian conclave and from there to Chicago to visit his son and thence back to the old Buckeye state and home, Cincinnati. We all wish him well and ask that he come again.

J. T. TRIMBLE,
Manager.

The law firm of Franklin, Speers, Chappell and Hutchins won a great victory by enjoining the city of Tulsa from preventing the colored citizens in their efforts to rebuild their homes. Much praise is due these men; they are real patriots.